ESCAPE FROM KALDOR-------

PART TWO

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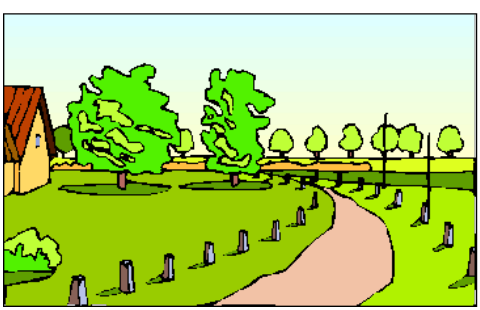
Near company central RELL and JENNA walk over the courtyard and join a rapid transit conveyor towards a central hub mingling with citizens .

STENTON RELL Yes Jenna this new job has happened to

the right time .
JENNA REALY
STENTON RELL I'm fed up telling citizens what they can and cannot do , chasing them down corridors,I throwing them in holding cells and generally lording it over them .
JENNA Oh I know the matrix is getting more complaints .
Rapid transit conveyor stops at the central hub and they move over to a metallic tube and key in their ID number on the intercom, which opens to reveal a ground level travel tube with members of the founding families already sitting on plastic resin chairs .The steel Irish closes and the travel tube picks up speed through the perspex see-through tube towards zone 2.
STENTON RELL Has the president made it back from Mars yet?
JENNA I think she has, she should be at CANDEREL .
The travel tube slides out into a courtyard and the canopy opens for them to walk to their apartments .
STENTON RELL Jenna I've got a busy day tomorrow it'd be my first day as a guardian controlling sector 3 day centre .
JENNA STANIS I'm sorry the technicians will have it up and running by the morning for you to make your grand entrance .
STENTON RELL Exactly so I hope you to have my costume fitted you know the white uniform with a gold braid
JENNA STANIS I'll have a look at the catalog , coming in .



Over in ZONE 3 CALEB and STEVEN have made it to the recreation grounds and are playing 5-a-side football with a group of kids from the manta residence with HAMED McBRIDE .
CALEB WEST Honestly Steve and my life clock says I've only got ten years left then the COMPANY will send an adjudicator to escort me to tranquil repose .
HAMED McBRIDE Yeah tranquil repose it's a typical company

name for a euthanasia clinic .
TULA REECE **The emerging colony. Olympus, Mars.Constructed right now as a bridge head.Lewis member The newest member of the Galactic Federation known as Earth..**
AIDAN WELCH **In other news, your taxes are going up, To pay for it .**
CALEB WEST But I don't want to go to tranquil repose .

HAMED McBRIDE I don't want to be stuck in my apartment watching daytime television .
STEVE JOHNSON There's a new channel called Lionheart television and it shows television from a planet called EARTH .
CALEB WEST That's that new human colony in the Western spiral arm the milky way galaxy .
HAMED McBRIDE Yeah I've heard of EARTH .
STEVE JOHNSON It's one of the new members of the federation.
CALEB WEST They don't have a termination date so they can live as long as they can. I've been watching their television, some of them are very old and they have a mad sense of humor but they're okay .
CALEB WEST Why don't you go and see Doc Erin Lee?
STEVE JOHNSON It's just a toothache.
They walk through the recreation ground, past citizens engaged in leisure facilities to an ornamental water fountain.
CALEB WEST DOC ERIN is high up with the SONS OF KALDOR he might be able to help .
STEVE OHNSON Still not told your mom either, have you?
CALEB WEST It'll only upset her.
STEVE JOHNSON I thought about jumping ship and getting to sanctuary many times but they're oversubscribed.
CALEB WEST And you need a secret pasS out of KALDOR CITY
STEVE JOHNSON You'll never make it to earth, this is your life till TRANQUIL REPOSE .
CALEB WEST Well don't be so sure because my father's with the SONS of KALDOR and he's got a pipelight straight to sanctuary a thousand of miles away in the blind heart desert .
HAMED McBRIDE You'll never make it out there ,the solar winds will cut you to pieces .

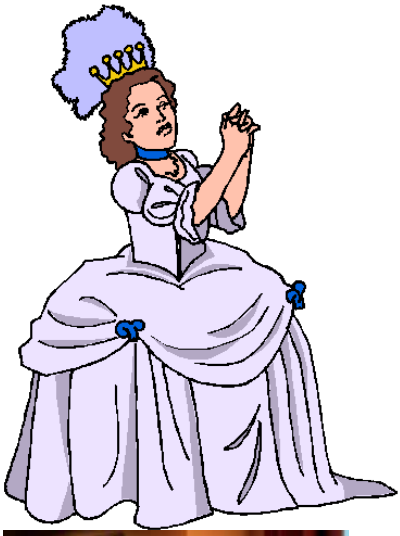
CALEB WEST Unfortunately all of us are tracked within the city especially in zone 3 where we live .
STEVE JOHNSON Even when we came into the park we had to key our ID into the ENTRY CODEC they know we're here right now .
HAMED McBRIDE I'll tell you what Caleb comes to my apartment later I can get you to sanctuary but you have to sign on as a water treatment plant worker .

Later on they take a travel tube over the skyline of the city of KALDOR which deposits for in-ZONE 4 the business sector .They walk into dimplex the temporary workers agency where Kia Chapman is eating at chicken Kiev with side salad and vinaigrette dressing .
CALEB WEST Want to sign on as a water treatment worker
KIA CHAPMAN Okay if you just go to the if you just go to that resin plastic booth in the corner we'll check your biorhythms to see if you're suitable .
HAMED mCBRIDE yeah I've already had a thorough medical
KIA CHAPMAN Can you give me your ID number?
CALEB, STEVEN, and HAMED walk over to a square booth in the corner of the shop, and step in one at a time, waiting for the sensors to take their vital signs and weight and a full body scan, the results are relayed directly to the monitor on the glass desk below the bay window .
KIA CHAPMAN That'll be fine start tomorrow .
STEVE JOHNSON FANTASTIC
KIA CHAPMAN Collect your boiler suit and Wellington boots when you get to the water treatment center .

Elsewhere Sv5 escorts CARNEL to the helipad at the top of COMPANY CENTRAL and he take a flyer over to ZONE 1, we're high council and founding family members live .
He takes a red and white elevator down from the helipad then walks down to corridor with blue and pink pastel shades and Prints of colonels and admirals of SPACE COMMAND along the magnolia walls .
Then he enters his apartment and sits on a beige corduroy sofa activating an INTERCOM where the screen saver is replaced by Don Sebastian Montoya .
CARNEL How are things in sanctuary?
DON SEBASTIAN MONTOYA Encase you didn't realise some of your adjudicators have just been here and they're taking people back .
CARNEL there's been a full ID check here again increasingly number of people will come here for any reason
DON SEBASTIAN MONTOYA Yes I blame that new Lionheart television showing people what it's like on earth .Those two from earth on the survey team tried to build what they called a perpetual motion machine .
CARNEL WHAT'S THAT DON?
DON SEBASTIAN MONTOYA It seems we don't have one on KALDOR and they put it in a vehicle and it takes them wherever they want to go. They use a steering wheel and the PERPETUAL MOTION MACHINE in the bonnet rotates the wheels to drive the car .
CARNEL No pre-group program flight plan .

DON SEBASTIAN MONTOYA When the ARK ship came here thousands of years ago it landed and we thought we never had any use for them .
CARNEL Most of the transportation is on the rapid transit system .
DON SEBASTIAN MONTOYA A series of conveyor belts , we never developed the motor car .
CARNEL While there here they might have a few contacts from earth but in the meantime, you have our baking to control the underground pipeline offworld .Just keep the records unless we have to chase or check ID
DON SEBASIAN MONTOYA Then I can use my new DIMENSION GATE to send any runners escaping KALDOR CITY to ARCADIA .
CARNEL Send them to TREADMILL and I'll authorise it with COMPANY CENTRAL, Or you could send them to earth.
DON SEBASTIAN MONTOYA If they can't retire,I'll send them to EARTH .

As the sun rises over the skyscrapers of KALDOR CITY, WEST, JOHNSON and McBRIDE take a travel tube to the monorail then alight a train that speeds out of the KALDOR barrier through a flat plateau into the Blind Heart Dessert .
They take their seats joining workers and watch news bulletins on monitors above the automatic doors .



Top presenters throughout the Galactic Federation.TULA REECE & AIDAN WELCH are broadcasting on monitors above the door of the train.

TULA REECE And in other news the galactic federation is increasing the size of Arcadia and PRESIDENT VANESSA BELLAMY is on her way there on the TIGER MOTH solar yachts competing in a solo yacht race .

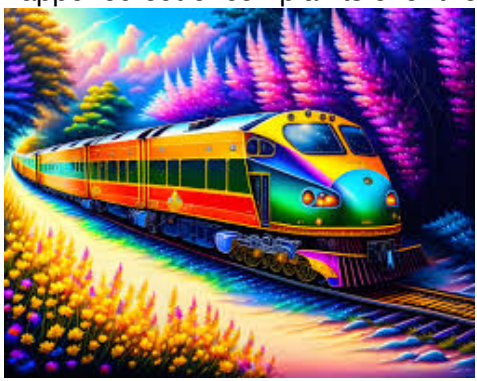
AIDAN WELCH In her absence CARNEL has issued a warning to draconians that they're not needed in our sector of the galaxy .

HAMED McBRIDE Why couldn't they build the water treatment center closer to the city .

CALEB WEST Thousands of years ago when the colony ship arrived they surveyed from high orbit and found the only water was way out here .

HAMED McBRIDE And as water is precious on KALDOR the

water treatment center needs workers .
STEVE JOHNSON Still look at it this way, sanctuary only happened out of complaints over the V-o-c program .



The bullet train reaches the water treatment center, and workers leave walking through a perspex tunnel with the sands hitting at high speed from the outside .
They join a group of workers at reception, key in their KALDOR number and are met by technician BEN GRIM to start work cleaning the filters . They're given spades they get to their workstation to recycle water filters where filters slide along from a reservoir then slide in front of them for cleaning ,which have been used to filter out impurities .
BEN GRIM You have to unpick the filters and then shovel all the impurities into these wagons then push them out the back .
HAMED McBRIDE And then you push the wagon on the twin tracks out of the back of the building into the Blind heart Desert.
STEVE JOHNSON Do we have protection?
BEN GRIM Full PPE with blast protection against the magnetic storm .
CALEB WEST Signed the waiver against injury or accidental death., so we're all yours .
BEN GRIM Might have another job deep cleaning the filters before the end of the shift .
McBRIDE WEST and JOHNSON start a shoveling the impurities into the skip which is transferred by track out After an hour of shoveling impurities , Out of the filters into the skips and pushing them on the train tracks to a stockpile near the back a female worker in a boiler suit ,taken in at the waste and her sleeves rolled up and a SONS OF KALDOR badge pinned to her lapel comes up to them to them .
RACHEL GOODBODY I'll show you through the water Treatment plant and over to the storm mine which has just arrived .

HAMED McBRIDE That will take us through the valley to SANCTUARY?
They leave their shovels and follow RACHEL down a metal flight of stairs past a series of pipework ,Smiling at technicians who are checking pressure gauges ,towards the back of the water treatment plant .
CALEB WEST All this water is to be pumped straight back to KALDOR CITY .
HAMED McBRIDE You'd think they could find an m class planet with more water so he wouldn't have to keep recycling it .
At the door they put on outside coats and eye protection and then an ENTRY CODEC opens a door and they're senses are hit by the biting winds of the sandstorms .
HAMED McBRIDE It's just a short walk but dangerous as winds can blow you off your feet .
RACHEL GOODBODY you see STORM MINE 50 yards away ? Run to the door opposite I'll follow and let you in .
They check headgear, put their impact goggles on and jump onto the rolling sand dune ,then run over fighting the biting winds and use an entry coder to get in .
RACHEL GOODBODY This is your false ID of an inspector from company central and his accomplice .
They walk through the cargo bay and show their ID to V-O-C and through a sliding door into the adjacent corridor past d-class robots carrying equipment .
RACHEL GOODBODY I'll show you to the visitors gallery and I think we've been assigned quarters .
They walk up three flights of steps to the residency and then into the visitors gallery with a huge concave window .
The STORM MINE starts to vibrate as it leaves the water treatment plant and slowly turns into a valley with steep volcanic mountains
RACHAEL GOODBODY Strap into one of the acceleration couches
STEVE JOHNSON V36 can you get some some soma and mineral water,
V36 COMES INTO THE VIEWING GALLERY WITH A TRAY OF DRINKS
CALEB WEST Same for me v36.
HAMED McBRIDE CHERRY COKE V36

After an hour long journey with them watching a news feeds from the new martian colony OLYMPUS MARS
The huge convex window giving a panoramic view of the outside as the STORM MINE rides through a valley with high rock peaks either side . In the distance at the end of the valley they spy a single story white block the only construction in thousands of miles of sand dunes, on a plateau below a mountain .STORM MINE SEVEN moves on caterpillar tracks towards SANCTUARY and arrives opposite the main entrance extracting an umbilical tube .
RACHEL GOODBODY I'll take you to the main exit ,remember to show your ID to all V-O-C before disembark .
HAMED McBRIDE What have they got planed when we get back
RACHEL GOODBODY A bit of SABOTAGE or data theft
HAMED McBRIDE ABSOLUTELY Remember your company inspectors .
STEVE JOHNSON Does that mean we get a full tour?
RACHEL GOODBODY We have to impersonate COMPANY MEN inspecting the market gardens produce and some of the living quarters .
She hands the three white knee length lab coats .
They leave the visitors lounge down a corridor adorned with prints of retired first masters and down a wide metal flight of steps then towards the back of the STORM MINE .
V-O-C are unloading cargo straight through an umbilical tunnel with the magnetic winds of the blind heard dessert lashing the plexiglass ,
They follow the deliveries through the perspex tunnel into reception ,

decorated with mauve and white pastel shades and featuring dessert plants in pots in corners of the room .
Three men are waiting at reception wearing orange boiler suits taken in at the waist with sleeves rolled up ID badge pinned to lapels.
The leader of the group steps forward and offers his hand.In greetings.
DON SEBASIAN MONTOYA I'm so glad you made it , I'll let my security officer JOHN PETER McALISTER give you an induction , then I'll see you in my office .
JOHN PETER McALISTER Follow me please >
They walk along a narrow path with rows of fresh produce . .
JOHN PETER McALISTER And this is our horticultural section SANCTUARY,we prefer the natural way of life to the hustle and Bustle of KALDOR CITY.
CALEB WEST Don't you get tired of the same routine of the old fashioned society you've created here in Sanctuary.
JOHN PETER McALISTER No, it's pretty much the same, it's just less regulated., And acrobats from Marconi's Travelling Circus.Come here as a weigh station.
They follow John through gardeners tending fruit and vegetable patches to a door at the end of the market garden extension to the main building and onto a charcoal gray tiled carpet of reception.
JOHN PETER McALISTER We get supplies for packaged goods and the market garden produces the rest of our produce .
STEVE JOHNSON I had green fingers when I was a nipper. It looks fine to me .
HAMED McBRIDE That will impress the founding families

They go past a lounge area to a square sitting room with a high voltage clear plastic cabinet canopy showing the skyline and sit

down in the Square sitting room on a corduroy three piece suit .
DON SEBASIAN MONTOYA Rachel get some refreshments for our guests .
STEVE JOHNSON Thank you John if we can just stay on target .
A middle aged man in a boiler suit walks through from one of the modules attached to the main building and sits down
.
DARREN CUMMINGS I'm sure between us we can come out with an action plan .
CALEB WEST WE WANT TO GET TO EARTH.
HAMED McBRIDE And we hear that you're the only man who can help us through immigration and off KALDOR .
DON SEBAIAN MONTOYA I have.An underground pipeline to many places.Including Earth.
DARREN CUMMINGS Oh, that new M-CLASS planet and the western spiral arm of the Milky Way Galaxy just became a member of the Federation.?
DON SEBASIAN MONTOYA Yeah, that's the one. I can get you there, but there's other alternatives.
DARREN CUMMINGS I'd heard the rumours and was already moving away from my habitat when a friend referred me here .
DON SEBASIAN MONTOYA If you observe the monitor in front of you there are three options .
DARREN CUMMINGS EARTH-TREADMILL-ARCADIA
STEVE JOHNSON TREADMILL the new paradise resort .
DON SEBASIAN MONTOYA Within the pressure dome you can indulge in all human pleasures in a safe environment .
DARREN CUMMINGS They don't go for anything more sensational, only physical pleasures .
DON SEBASIAN MONTOYA Which features the TREADMILLS-ROWERS-DUMBBELLS-BARBELLS .
DARREN CUMMINGS The only drawbacks being if you step outside the airlock of the pressure dome your lungs burst before the rest of your body explodes as there's no atmosphere .
CALEB WEST It sounds very nice to me, the only drawback being you need to be very high up in the company .
DON SEBASIAN MONTOYA You can go for five years but then they take you to a laboratory ,give you general anesthetic then gas and dispose of your carcass in a large fissure on a plateau below a

mountain range 100 miles away from the pressure Dome .
CALEB WEST I've 10 more years on my life clock here and I get five years on TREADMILL no way .
DARREN CUMMINGS There's Arcadia which hasn't been regulated yet but people always want to go back to the good old days of chalets, holiday camps and beer gardens .
STEVE JOHNSON That sounds very nice
DARREN CUMMINGS But it's getting oversubscribed we'll go to EARTH .DON SEBASIAN MONTOYA You realiser earth has a very complicated and paranoid society you might not fit in there immediately .
CALEB WEST Yeah we are willing to take the chance .
STEVE JOHNSON We've seen Lionheart television, which has only just been added to the standard television package on KALDOR.
DARREN CUMMINGS Yeah we've been watching Lionheart television here but it's not all but it's not always exciting as it seems a Lionheart television
CALEB WEST Nevertheless I'm only 45 and my life clock goes black in 10 years .
HAMED McBRIDE Yeah we're running out of options here Don .
DON SEBASIAN MONTOYA Ok then come with me .
They follow out of the lounge, past residence and through an open plan office dominated by a pool table and table hockey along a corridor to a security door with the emblem of SANCTUARY in gold letters on a plaque stenciled to the oak doors using an ENTRY-CODEC to gain entrance to the DIMENSION ROOM .
DON SEBASIAN MONTOYA ` Since the recent robot Revolution company central has given me the option to run the underground pipeline for those who cannot get off world by the normal channels .
CALEB WEST So they've in DIMENSION GATES .
An 8 foot highest twin vertical arts and a waist high control console on the left hand side, CUMMINGS moves activate the console and the twin arcs are illuminated, one rotating 40 degrees creating a rippling mercury pool at its centre .
DARREN CUMMINGS The chamber below has a cyclotron and particle accelerator which feeds the twin arcs.
Well Daniel feeding the coordinates for the MOJAVE desert in Nevada DON SEBASIAN MONTOYA walks to the communication

station and activates an INTERCOM sending a signal through the dimension gate to the asylum where sergeant Arnold is waiting in the zebra squad office .
DON SEBASIAN MONTOYA Arnold can you send PALMER and BARCLETTE to pick up three packages coming through right now .
Sent from Outlook for Android